House Resolution No. 313

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to honor those individuals who have dedicated many years to the children of the Show-Me State through diligent labor in our public school system; and

Whereas, Joan Brown of East St. Louis, Illinois, is to be commended for her truly outstanding service to the Normandy School District in St. Louis, Missouri, where she serves as Choir Director; and

Whereas, Joan Brown has supported her profession as a member of the American Choral Directors, the National Association of Jazz Educators, the Missouri Music Educators Association, and the Music Educations National Conference; and

Whereas, prior to assuming her current responsibilities as Choir Director, Joan Brown served as Concert Choir Director at Lincoln Senior High School in East St. Louis, Concert Choir and General Music Piano Lab teacher at Martin Luther King Junior High, and Choral Group Director for Shades of Blackness at the SIUE Katherine Dunham Center in East St. Louis; and

Whereas, Joan Brown is the recipient of numerous honors and recognitions, just a few of which include being listed in several Who's Who publications, taking First Place at the Toronto International Music Festival and District and State Choirs, and earning the Martin Luther King National High School Chapter Award, the Church of God Appreciation Award, and the Sigma Gamma Rho, Incorporated, Appreciation Award; and

Whereas, Joan Brown has experienced tremendous success in impressing upon countless young people the value and importance of the wonderful world of music; and

Whereas, Joan Brown is a remarkable individual who can most certainly be described as dedicated, devoted, hardworking, and visionary - traits which make people true leaders; and

Whereas, Joan Brown has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Edward Brown; and two daughters, Katherine and Arama Brown:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our most heartfelt appreciation to Joan Brown for her many hours of unparalleled and outstanding service to the Normandy School District, and in further wishing her the best of luck in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joan Brown.

Offered by
Representative Esther Haywood
District No. 71
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 313, adopted January 31, 2005.
Rod Jetton, Speaker